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Treatment of rheumatoid arthritis - using azauridine cpds., e.g.
 azaribine or 6-azauridine

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The use of an azauridine cpd. for the treatment of rheumatoid arthritis is new. The cpd. is administered at 10-50 mg/kg/day for an initial period to reduce the adverse effects and then at above 50 mg/kg/day to relieve the rheumatoid arthritis.

Pref. the azauridine (pref. azaribine or 6-azauridine) is initially administered at 15-35 mg/kg/day for 1-4 weeks, at 50-100 mg/kg/day in the second period for 4-8 weeks and then at above 100 mg/kg/day for as long as the patient shows improvement. A pyrixoxine cpd. may also be administered (pref. at least 0.0005 moles/mole of azauridine).

USE/ADVANTAGE - Azaribine is an effective oral treatment for psoriasis, psoriatic arthritis, mycosis fungoides, herpes simplex and small pox. At higher doses azaribine has anti-inflammatory activity but shows severe side effects (e.g. fever, joint pain, joint swelling, edema, nausea, emesis, exanthema, painful and rigid muscles and depression). The novel regime avoids these side effects. The erythrocyte sedimentation rate is reduced, the joint tenderness/pain index is improved, the joint/swelling index is improved and the patients have a feeling of well being. The azaribine is pref. administered orally in a formulation which avoids absorption through the stomach and which contains a pyridoxal phosphate cpd. (pref. pyridoxine hydrochloride) pref. at above 0.025 mole/mole azaribine (to avoid pyridoxal phosphate deficiency). Administration of 6-azauridine has to be done i.v. to avoid metabolism by intestinal bacteria to 6-azauracil which is toxic

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Treating rheumatoid arthritis comprises: (a) admin. of 10-50 mg/kg/day azauridine (AZ) cpd. and at least 0.0005 moles pyridoxine (PY) per mole AZ, for a period to reduce the adverse side effects associated with admin. of AZ cpds. at dosage levels of at least 50 mg/kg/day; and then (b) admin. of a higher dose level of at least 50 mg/kg/day AZ cpd. and at least 0.005 moles PY per mole AZ, to show improvement in rheumatoid arthritis.

Pref. the first period is 1-4 weeks using 15-35 mg/kg/day AZ cpd. and the second is 4-8 weeks, using at least 100 mg/kg/day AZ cpd.

The AZ cpd. is azaribine or 6-azauridine. Admin. is esp. by i.v. infusion or is oral, AZ being encapsulated in an enteric coating.

USE/ADVANTAGE - Admin. of AZ cpd. reduces erythrocyte sedimentation rate, improves joint tenderness/pain index, joint swelling index and feeling of well being. The method does not have the adverse side effects associated with prior art.

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Oral compsn. contg. therapeutic protein, esp. allergen or antigen - stabilised by inactive protein and coated with enteric polymer, used as vaccines and to treat allergies

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